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THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 23, 1918.



Then join in hands, brave Americans all, By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall.

RED CROSS AS AN EDUCATOR. WOUNDED Americans, starving Rumanians, Serbians and Belgians, despairing prisoners in German stockades are not the only beneficiaries of the Red Well fed, comfortable and all too tranguil minded people here at home in the United States are also being benefitted by their contact with this great organization. Their sympathies are being quickened, their intellects stimulated and their interests broadened to such an extent that this will be a less insular and self centered country in the future. A writer in the New Republic of last week dovelops this thought in the following way:

The value of the Red Cross to the American nation is not measured merely by the assistance which it is rendering to the official war machine. The propaganda which it has been conducting throughout the country and its extraordinary success in securing popular support has formed one of the two or three most compelling causes of the increased moral union of the American people in respect to the war. Its propaganda has had the peculiar value of emphasizing the more positive and humaner aspects of war service. It has fastened the minds of everyone, participating in the Red Cross organization or contributing to it, on the intelligent performance of a colossal social task. It has been forming out of a considerable portion of the American people a voluntary cooperative society for preventing the war from inflicting any more suffering than could be helped on our soldiers and on the soldiers and civilians of France and Italy Thus it affords civilian patriotic feeling an immediate and a wholesome outlet in essen-tially philanthropic work, and so converts it into a valuable preparation for the healing ministrations of peace. It is perhaps the most salutary existing expression of that better nationalism which is not easy to keep alive in the poisonous atmosphere of war, and which whether in war or in peace constitutes the formative and binding influence in American

There were many traits of American character as it existed before the war drew us into its meshes which we are not going to be proud of when it is all over and we have time to sit down and calmly think it all over. But we are changing rapidly and the Red Cross is helping mightily. The wise man and woman who expects to maintain the same relative station in the after-the-war world which he or she maintained in the before-the-war world will get as close to the Red Cross and its broadening and humanizing influence as possible. Counterfeit characters and social mishts are not going to cut much of a figure for the next decade or two in this country.

FULL LIVES.

THIRTY-NINE of them will attend, said the reporter who wrote yesterday's story about the Grand Army of the Republic's preparations for the annual memorial sermon. The ranks certainly are thinning. Do not be alarmed; we are not going to bore either the reader or the veterans themselves by indulging in cloying sentimentality. Even heroes are but men and must pay nature's debt like other mortals. And they know it.

No, the thought that strikes us as we realize that there almost provide us with one all around the edges.

are but a few of them left, is that these few have been fortunate beyond the lot of most men. To have been permitted to take part in the epic war between the states was ; in itself to live life fully and completely for a season. But to that experience these men who on parade occasions wear the blue have been permitted to witness the peace triumphs of a half century at the most wonderful time in history and in the most wonderful country the world ever saw.

And on top of all that they are now privileged to be the Will Stick to Army and escort of honor for the young men who go off to fight in the name of the Republic they themselves fought for to save for the extension to the world at large of the spirit of fredom to which they consecrated their young lives. Wonderful careers; complete lives. What more could men ask for? Most of them, it is probable, will continue with us long enough to see the downfall of divine right, the candidacy of C. W. Watson for the the enslavement of nations and all the other nightmares Democratic nomination for United that go with autocracy. After that they probably will go States senator was made last night. into the next world willingly; this one will have nothing. A special from Washington to The more to offer them.

COAL AND COOPERATION.

F course the members of the Coal club are devoting cratic nomination for United States this week to boosting the Red Cross fund. If every senator because I believe I will be business interest in the country had as loyally, con- nominated and elected. In deciding to ristently and enthusiastically supported the government and the situation in West Virginia and my the war work of the nation as the coal operators from the announcement is made in response to beginning have food would be more plentiful, prices lower, requests from Democrats in every stabusiness steadier and transportation freer-incidentally a tion of the state. lot of railroad executives would not now be out of jobs.

Here and there perhaps there has been a lack of the of my friends. My present duties consame true blue loyalty and spirit of cooperation that is sume all my time and it is my inten shown in this region, but in the main the coal industry has tion to remain in the army until, if toed the mark and delivered the goods—whether it was coal, takes. Liberty bond subscriptions, Red Cross donations or assistance in the matter of starting the Thrift stamp the war must be prosecuted to a succampaign-with a cheerful grin , even when it was costing cessful conclusion regardless of the a much that it actually hurt.

It is to be hoped that the metropolitan papers which did so much to stir up prejudice against the "coal barons" for measures. sins of omission and commission, which others were responsible for, when they take a survey of the state of the nation of benefit to the country in the conwill not fail to note this cheerful and willing attitude of the sideration of war measures in the men in the mining industry. Mine operators have not always felt that everything the government did was the result days of reconstruction of inspiration from above, but they never tried to throw "West Virginia will be a pivotal monkey wrenches into the government machinery and lots state in the election this year and a of business men, including some who own newspapers, who Democrat must be elected to the Senadmit freely that they belong in the front rank of patriots, ate. The whole Allied world is looking to this country for the satisfactory and

Yielding to the importunities of political friends Colo- President must be unreservedly supnel Watson has announced his candidacy for the Demo- ported. To do this it is extremely imcratic senatorial nomination, but in doing so he put the succeed Sone matter squarely up to the politicians. If Watson is defeated in August it will not be his fault, although he doubtless will have to mourn the disappearance of a large number of his dollars along with his prospects of sitting in the seats of the mighty. Watson's announcement ought to lead to a decidedly pretty fight. What the outcome will be depends upon a number of things, but as this is a matter for Democrats to decide we have no desire to discuss it beyond saying that while everything the friends of Colonel Watson have to say about his great business abailities and capacity for large All Records for Military affairs is true, as a representative of West Virginia in the Senate he would have nothing to offer which would make Republicans and independent voters prefer him before any of the gentlemen who aspire for the Republican nomination.

Judge Hughes' letter to the Military Affairs committee of the Senate stating that his investigation of the aircraft muddle would be embarrassed by a parallel inquiry was to have been expected. And if the Senate does not want to hear from the country in an unpleasant even longer. way it will see that the Hughes inquiry has a free hand. The public wants to know the full truth about this affair and it has full confidence in the ability of the distinguished man who has agreed to inquire into it to get to the bottom of it.

If W. J. Heatherman, the new chief of the state Department of Mines, is as deficient in the other qualifi- men's training period. This may be cations necessary for a successful administration of that reduced another 50 per cent. highly important office as he is in tact it will have to be said that Governor Cornwell has blundered in appointing him. Heatherman's tirade regarding the dis- This extraordinary speed is due to the aster at Villa is a display of bad judgment. We are fact that every training camp is so quite prepared to believe that conditions in some mines well equipped in every way that the in West Virginia are far from what they ought to be, men now can get the full course of but it is Heatherman's job to correct this and not to scold about it in the columns of the state's newspapers. If he is at all wise he will reserve his newspaper state- the first selective service men were ments for use if the operators of unsafe mines ignore called in training camps. I have his orders to make changes.

Funds for the Red Cross continue to roll up in Marion county, but to make the campaign attain maximum suc- Guns, bayonets, ammunition were cess every worker will have to keep plugging away until for them. There were no rifle ranges. the bell rings.

Plans are on foot to make the coming Fourth of July | cers. the greatest ship launching day in the history of the world. How that suggestion would have delighted the scul of old John Adams, who gave to the celebration of the Fourth the form it took. A launching in every one WHICH LIPS of the ship yards would not give us a celebration from "one end of this continent to the other," but it would

# What People Say

and Some Side Remarks

Senator W. E. Chilton deplores the absence of authority to make a platform for the Democratic party but Boyd Jarrell, of the Huntington Herald-Dispatch makes the point that Government is going to take a hand Senator Chilton makes his own plat-

> "I would like to have another term in the senate."

Paul Hubbell, who now lives at Bartlesville, Okla., formerly ran a store at Farmington and he took the Wonder if that app to the ps and measure of some narrow West VirThe chances are that the politicians other peace efficers to not engineans, very effectively, saying: "They can't see over the

hills."

Ex-Governor A. B. Fleming did not join in the community singing at the And all guys who have no jobs had Presbyterian church last night and explained to a friend:

"I don't know the tune of anything-not even Old Hundred."

er covers for basebails. You bful firstkiss passed between them, has mers club of that community. Sixpers for the same worth; purpose,

### and Friends Must Manage Campaign.

The long expected announcement of Times saying that Colonel Watson would make the race contained the following statement by the aspirant:

"I am a candidate for the Demo-

"My campaign for the nomination will be left almost wholly in the hands

"Without going into details as to my platform, I desire to emphasize that cost. The President shall have my whole hearted support and I shall stand directly with him in all war

"I believe my experience would be Senate and I believe this experience would be especially beneficial in the

successful conclusion of the war and to accomplish this great purpose the portant that a D

Training Being Broken in U.S.

By J. R. GROVE It takes a third less time to train an American soldier now than it did last year.

Uncle Sam is making soldiers out of raw selective service men in six months. It used to take from eight to nine months and at some cantonments

It is confidently predicted that be fore this year is over soldiers will be turned out, ready for the finishing touches in France, in three months. No other country has ever manu-

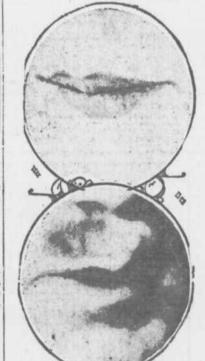
factured such well trained troops in so short a time. Thirty-three per cent. of the time has already been cut off the drafted

Surely the "hurty!" call for "Over There" has been heard. And the men are not being sent over half trained. training in two-thirds of the time their brothers needed last fa'l and winter. I have spent most of my days since water u the graiual speeding up in

When I first went down the men found training grounds but half ready Guns, bayonets, ammunition were lack were nowhere. Today they are every ing. Uniforms were few and far between. There was a shortage of offi-Ambulances, trucks, medical supplied and doctors were lacking.

KISSED FIRST?

In those days last fall men often



Above the lips of Miss Grace Lusk, on trial in Waukesha, Wis., for killing the wife of Dr. George Roberts, with whom she was infatuated and with whom she made trips to hotels in other cities. Dr. Roberts' lips are That was all a mistake about there below. The question of who was the meeting was held in the school house being such a shortage in horse leath- kisser and who the kissee when the for the purpose rejuvenating the far-America is willing to contribute the arisen at the trial. The doctor said teen farmers were present and it was whole at ply of lick's attap and if he couldn't remember. Miss Lusk's decided to liven up the organization. Mercy, the poor lads will smoke coaxel would even g.v. up did s slip testimony on the point is awaited with Addresses were delivered by W. E. great interest in Waukesha,

May 23rd, 1918.

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Reliable Advertising

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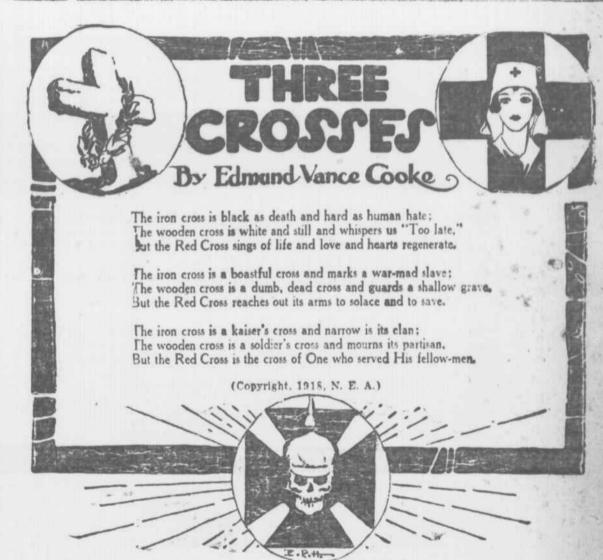
1 Pattern, Formerly \$ 9.75 now \$ 7.50 1 Pattern, Formerly \$ 7.50 now \$ 5.50 Also a \$37.50 set-consisting of hat, bag and parasol-now only \$25.00.

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The men had to help with cantonment work, grading, digging, getting things ready for themselves. Now everything is ready for them. They hop right to the rifle range and go to it. Last fall they lost valuable time which might have been put in learning to shoot because of the lack of range and rifle.

Now the newcomers look like soldiers in a wek. It's hard for the visitor to tell the difference. Often I can only distinguish between the rookies and regulars by listening for that 1-2-3-4 count the newly made soldier always uses and the regular never.

There is a plentiful supply of noncoms, who can take a bunch of clerks and farmers in hand and work wonders with them. In some instances men drilled for

weeks without touching a bayone'. Now they get that Hun stabber just as soon as they climb into khaki. Then men got sick and sick men didn't recover so quickly, all because

the hospital equipment wasn't what it is today. Those men lost valuable time Today fewer are ill and those who are get such fine care that they get on their feet in a shorter time. am sure that every man in acmp is 100 per cent better equipped to take care of the ill.

Further speeeding up is done by night hikes, something new in the way of training Men who go to camps in June will be ready for France on New Year's

PHAROAH'S RUN

Last night at Pharoah's Run a McComas, county farm agent, W.

lived in their overalls and derby hats Tomblyn, superintendent of the Paw. Mr. and Mrs. James Sharman, of Paw district schools, and Miss Gaston avenue, are the proud parents Blanche E. Price, county home demonstartion agent.

of a big baby boy.

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### the Astonisher office, that announce-Night editor put the story about it in the wrong column.

But the public took the great sur-

prise very clamly. However if the public wasn't exactly taken unawares that does not make it certain that the incident

lacked the element of surprise.

W's anouncement took. They got him into the race, but they must see to it that he gets the

With his bale of long green, of course.

But it is going to be some shindy announced.

around for cyclone cellars before it is over.

Well, have you kicked in for the Red Cross yet? If you think there is any danger the workers will miss you just drop Must have been an awful shock in around to headquarters.

That shop has one of the widest open entrances in the burg. . . .

in making gamblers and other para form, brief and to the point: sites go to work, news from Washington today says.

All men must work at useful occupations.

were painfully jolted by the form C force the laws? All guys with jobs had better work

. . . hetter get one. The army plan for supplying to-bacco in the regular ration has been

Each man will get enough makings Smooth Guy Chilton vs Gum Shoe to make about four cige a day.

Lot of Demmies will be looking themselves to death.